Marine Life Protection Act Initiative



Staff Evaluation of Draft Marine Protected Area Proposals

Presentation to the MLPA North Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group

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Evaluation/Summary Documents

Document	Source	
Proposal Templates and Maps	Staff/RSG	
Habitat Calculations	Staff	
Staff Summaries	Staff	
Area Histograms	Staff	
Side-by-side Maps and Regulations	Staff	
Goal 3 Analysis	Staff	
Feasibility Analysis	DFG	
Abalone Analysis	DFG	
Commercial/ Recreational Fishing Analysis (Ecotrust)	DFG	
MLPA Goals 1-4 Analysis (Habitat Representation)	SAT	
MLPA Goals 2-6 Analysis (Size and Spacing)	SAT	
Birds and Mammals Analysis	SAT	



Proposal Templates – Some feedback

Capturing basic information for final proposals (Round 3):

- Rationale for proposal (need this in Round 3, < 1 page)
- Proposed disposition of existing MPAs (retain, modify, eliminate)

For each proposed MPA:

- MPA name
- MPA boundaries (provide lat/long coordinates for all four corners!)
- Allowed/disallowed uses (more clarity on recreational and/or commercial take, species included, and any gear restrictions)
- SAT level of protection (assigned by SAT)
- Regional goals and objectives MPA contributes toward
- MPA-specific objectives
- Comments (explanation if not meeting feasibility or science guidelines)



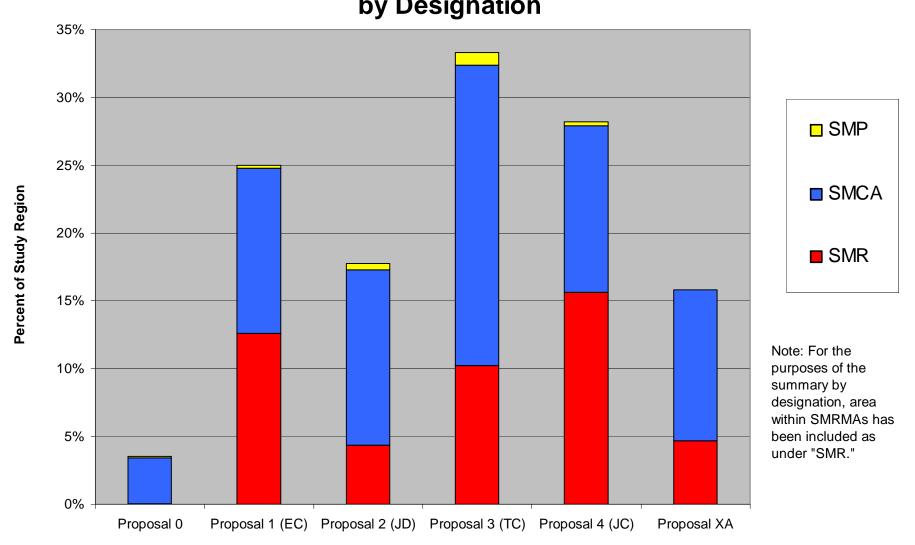
Habitat Calculations, Size and Spacing

- Providing basic info to SAT for its evaluation
- Amount of habitat captured within each MPA (habitat calculation spreadsheets)
- Habitats present in sufficient amount to be represented in MPAs and included in replication analysis
- Size of MPAs (and MPA clusters) by level of protection
- Spacing of habitats represented in MPAs by level of protection
- Thanks to co-leads for reviewing calculations and being part of quality control process!



Area Analysis – by designation

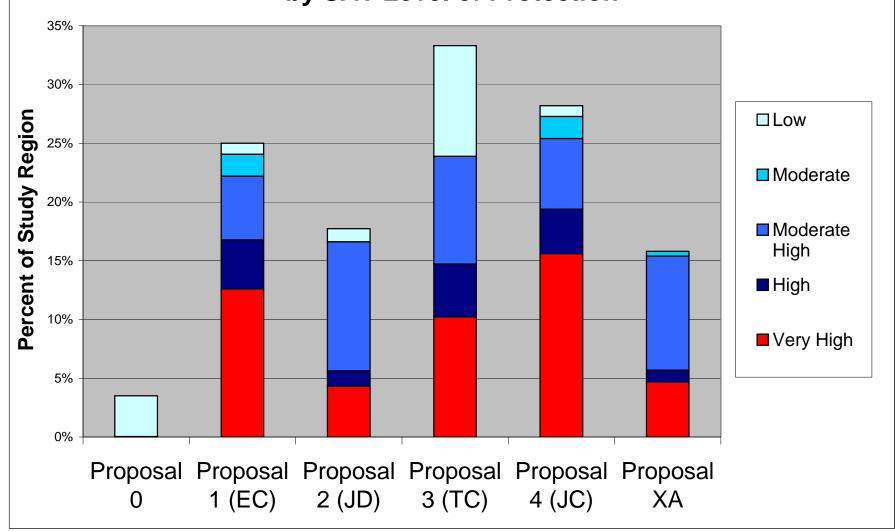
Draft MPA Proposals and Existing MPAs (Proposal 0) by Designation





Area Analysis – by level of protection







Side-by-side Maps and Regulations

Comparison across draft MPA proposals







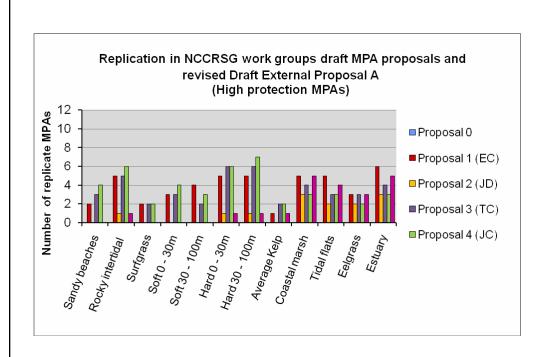
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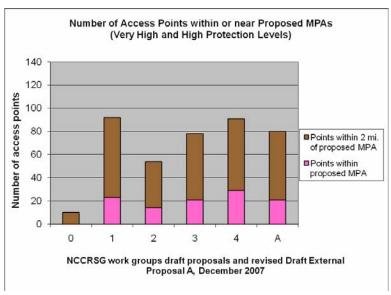
)	Draft Proposal 3 (TC) (12/12/07 version)		Draft Proposal 4 (JC) (12/12/07 version)		Draft External Proposal A (01/02/08 version)	
egion 5	MPA Name (Level of Protection)	Proposed Regulations	MPA Name (Level of Protection)	Proposed Regulations	MPA Name (Level of Protection)	Proposed Regulations
-			Fitzgerald- Devil's Slide State	No take	3	No take
2	Reserve (Very high)		Marine Reserve (Very high)		Reserve (Very high)	
	Moss Beach State Marine	Salmon trolling, crab, and squid,	Fitzgerald- Devils Slide State	Salmon trolling, crab, coastal pelagics,	Fitzgerald State Marine	Salmon trolling, anchovy, sardine,
	Conservation Area	commercial and recreational	Marine Conservation Area	and squid (commercial & recreational	Conservation Area	herring, dungeness crab (All applies



Goal 3 Analysis

Recreational, educational, and study opportunities – see memo for details







Summary

- Staff analyses and summaries present basic information and statistics
- Provide basis for other evaluations
- Goal 3 analysis addresses MLPA goal not assessed by science advisory team